

## **COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE**

## **MEETING SUMMARY**

**DECEMBER 7, 2016** 

**CEC Meeting** – The CEC met on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. The following committee members were in attendance: Sue Callaway, Chair; Donna Farrow; Bobbe Stephan; Kent Stephan; Carol Stevenson; Garnet Timbario; Pat Weisgerber; Don Chrobot, Public Works; Rick Gentile, Public Works. A student from Wilmington University attended as part of her Political Science requirement to attend a public meeting.

**Public/CEC Comments** – There were no public comments. The following CEC comments were made during this agenda item:

- Kent Stephan noted that he planted nearly 100 daffodils in the Anchorage Forebay area.
- Pat Weisgerber confirmed that Laura Macauley, Peterson Drive, will assume responsibility for the Peterson Drive Canal End, previously adopted by the Eckenrodes.
- Don Chrobot stated that a company would be removing the paint spilled on several South Bethany streets.

**Public Works Update** — Don Chrobot announced that they would begin installing composite wood on the surface of all beach walkway railings found along Seaside Drive and Ocean Drive. After discussing the condition of solar lights along Ocean Drive, the committee agreed that it would be helpful in making future lighting decisions for this road, to assess the viability and costs associated with free-standing street lights. Public Works will research this topic in early 2017. In looking ahead to the spring, Sue Callaway asked about the condition of the art work and the planters along Ocean Drive. Don assured the group that the artwork has been cleaned and in good condition and that the planters are not in need of repair or replacement but will need their annual painting. Don also noted that Public Works continues to pick up pet waste. The group agreed that it may be time to distribute another "Pet Waste Flyer" as agreed upon at a previous meeting.

**Update on Historic Sign Project** – The group approved the FINAL drafts of signs 4 and 5. These FINAL drafts will be presented at the Historic Society Committee meeting on December 9

for their approval. The group agreed to prepare printed copies of the FINAL signs in the proposed 24" x 36" size to determine if any size adjustments are needed before sending to Insta-Signs for the outdoor display preparation. The group agreed that this project will be referred to as the "Trail of South Bethany History."

<u>Addendum:</u> Pat Weisgerber stated that the Historic Society approved the final two signs at their December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Sue will follow-up with the graphic designer about ordering the prints.

Overview of Results of Survey to Improve Street Lighting along Canal Drive (To Be Presented at 12/9/16 Town Council Meeting) — The group reviewed the survey results and all informational materials associated with the outreach to the affected property owners. The group agreed to support the results of the survey and the plan to move forward with the proposed lighting.

<u>Addendum:</u> The Town Council voted unanimously to move forward with the lighting proposal for Canal Drive. Don Chrobot will arrange a meeting with Delmarva Power engineer Doug Hudson to discuss the initiative.

**Review of 2017 Draft Photography Exhibit Flyer & Discussion of Next Steps** – The group approved the FINAL draft of the Photography Exhibit Flyer and the plans to send it out in an Email News Update in January. Responses will be assessed in prior to the March CEC meeting.

**Discussion of FY 18 CEC Budget** – The Committee reviewed the FY17 Budget and the items included. The group agreed to draft a preliminary budget in January including previously funded items and any new items proposed for FY18.

**CEC Holiday Party** – The Committee adjourned at noon and celebrated its annual holiday party with members, town staff and significant others!